

ELIHU ROOT GREETED BY PEOPLE OF MOSCOW

(By Associated Press.)
MOSCOW, June 22.—The first meeting attended here by Elihu Root and the other members of the American commission yesterday was held in the palace of the governor general. There were assembled representatives of the Zemstvo industrial committee and the local council of the workmen and soldiers' delegates.

The meeting was in the nature of a test to determine whether the commission was to have the real sympathy of the social element in the country. It is said here that no foreigner ever before succeeded in winning the attention and interest of this association of committees representing the working masses of Moscow. But as Mr. Root began to speak antagonism and indifference yielded to rapt attention and he was warmly applauded at the conclusion.

"We have seen nothing since we came to Russia," said Mr. Root, "that gives cause for criticism. We marvel at the self control, the kindness of spirit and the sound common sense that the Russians display.

We feel that the work you are doing in the committees is on the right path toward an actual permanent democracy.

"The government of Germany...the German social system, even German Socialism, are all militaristic in their essential nature. They shall not gain control of free America, and if we can help you to prevent their gaining control of free Russia we shall be happy in feeling that we have assisted in the perpetuation of the ideals of our fathers who fought and sacrificed to make us free."

The representatives of the various groups replied, formally welcoming Mr. Root and the other members of the commission.

The entire assembly arose and cheered the Americans when they left the hall.

At the second meeting before the city duma, Mr. Root said:

"We have heard reports about dangers threatening your new liberty, but we hope you will find a way

of expanding your experience in local self government into power which will govern the whole nation. We have the marvelous spectacle of a people remaining peaceful and preserving the rights of others without the enforcement of law—a people waiting only for the establishment of a strong government, which will lay down the proper basis for law and order. You have made sacrifices in the past; we know that you will still make sacrifices to preserve your freedom, won at such a high cost.

"Now comes the test. You must make sacrifices. You must struggle until your liberty is secure. We have faith that Russia will do this."

The mayor, in reply said: "The aims of the war, the definition of the problems landing before humanity have been given by your great pacifist, President Wilson, who, in preserving the ideal of peace has realized the vital importance of the struggle. His way of speaking appeals to us."

FOOD CONTROL BILL NEARS CONSUMMATION

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—President Wilson's request to congress for food control legislation in time to deal with this year's crops promises to be realized.

With the battle ground turning to the senate, following the overwhelming passage of the control bill by the house, senate leaders predict action there late this week or early next week.

Retention by the senate of the drastic prohibition amendments added by the house or at least provisions prohibiting use of foodstuffs in manufacturing distilled spirits generally is deemed probable. The principal fight on the prohibition ques-

tion is expected to come over permitting manufacture of malt liquors and wines. House changes, senators agree, have removed many features upon which attack in the upper branch has been centered.

The house bill will be kept continuously before the senate until disposed of. General debate is scheduled to continue for a few days.

Some senators will endeavor to extend government control to coal, oil, iron and steel, copper, lead and various other basic materials. The interstate commerce committee will begin investigations Tuesday with such extension in view. The committee plans a hasty survey of the question of government regulation

of production, distribution and transportation of the basic products as well as federal price fixing, with a view to proposing amendments to the measure.

While the senate is occupied with the control bill, the house will in railway shipment, which has passed the senate.

The war tax bill probably will be completed this week by the senate finance committee. Income, excess profits and publishers' taxes are the most important questions pending after four weeks of redrafting.

Appropriations for the great aircraft program also will be considered by both branches of congress this week.

WORK OF COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—Accomplishments of the council of national defense, its advisory commission and its committees since the council was finally organized last March are set forth in a comprehensive report made public last night by Director Gifford.

Only 80 persons, according to Director Gifford's report, are drawing salaries and most of these are clerks and stenographers.

More than 100 highly trained men, says the report, are giving their entire time to the council without remuneration. Several hundred more, it says, are giving free a large part of their time.

The chief accomplishments of the council are summed up by Mr. Gifford as follows:

"Mobilization of the 262,000 miles of railroads of the country for the government's defense.

"Close-knit organization of the telephone and telegraph companies of America to insure to the government the most rapid and efficient wire communications.

"Settlement of the recent threatened national railroad strikes.

"General acceptance by labor and capital of the suggestion of the council that existing labor standards should not be changed until the need for such action had been determined by the council with the steady influence on industry growing out of such action.

"Procurement of 45,000,000 pounds of copper for the uses of the army and navy at less than one-half of the then current market price—a saving to the government of approximately \$10,000,000.

"Similar accomplishments as to steel, zinc and aluminum.

"Completion of an inventory, for military purposes, of 27,000 American manufacturing plants.

"Money saved to the government, through appointment over the country of committees of business men to assist the quartermaster's department of the army in the economical and efficient purchase of supplies.

"Saving to the government of millions of dollars by the co-ordination of purchases through the agency of the general munitions board.

"Creation under the medical section of the council, of a general medical board, of many of the most highly qualified surgeons and physicians of the country.

"Selection by the same section of thousands of doctors specifically qualified for membership in the medical officers' reserve corps, and

the standardization, far on its way to completion, of surgical instruments and supplies.

"Creation by the council of the aircraft production board, which is setting out to make 3500 airplanes and to train 6000 aviators this year.

"Definite results obtained by the council's committee on coal production in the procurement and expedition shipment of coal, both in the civilian and federal interests.

"Successful initiation of a movement to co-ordinate activities on the part of the state of the union for the national defense, brought to a clear and workable focus by the conference of states held recently in Washington at the call and under the auspices of the council.

"Organization of a railroad committee to send to Russia and enlistment of reserve engineer regiments to aid in rehabilitating the railroads of France."

Besides the many things done by the council Mr. Gifford enumerates in detail the work of the boards and committees. He begins with the general munitions board, of which Frank A. Scott is chairman, and reports the following accomplishments:

"Development of the capacity of small arms factories to supply one million men with arms; contracts signed for small arms ammunition to meet all requirements; artillery ammunition supply developed; sources of machine gun supplies developed; raw material obtained for gun carriages and caissons; standardization of motor transports; supply of material for ambulance bodies obtained and satisfactory production of armored cars assured; reduction in price of machine guns obtained and increased production arranged; arrangement of sufficient supply of surgical instruments; development of an improved optical glass for military instruments; recommendations made as to fair and equitable prices for army and navy contracts; arrangements made for taking over British small arms plants in this country; establishments of priority in manufacture of machine tools to assure government of proper supplies; compilation of list of munitions manufacturers for guidance of army and navy in making purchases."

The work of the aircraft production board is set forth at length.

The medical section, under Dr. Franklin Martin and Dr. F. F. Simpson, has spent much of its time selecting civilian physicians for recommendation to the army and navy, public health service and the Red Cross. The work has been done through committees named in each state. Selection of 21,000 physicians has been completed.

(By Associated Press.)
MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 25.—Barney Oldfield Sunday afternoon defeated Ralph De Palma in three automobile races of 15, 25 and 10 miles respectively, winning the first two races with apparent ease, the last event being very close, with De Palma about ten feet behind.

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NEVADA DECISION IS UPHELD BY THE U. S. SUPREME COURT

The clerk of the Nevada supreme court has been advised that the remittitur in the case of Burrus versus the Nevada-California-Oregon railway company is on the way from the supreme court of the United States to the Nevada supreme court. The U. S. court upheld the decision of the Nevada court handed down January 2nd, 1915.

Burrus brought suit to recover damages in the amount of \$26,000 for breach of contract to furnish a special train. He was awarded \$10,000 when the case was tried in the district court of Washoe county. The company appealed from the verdict and judgment and the order denying a motion for a new trial.

Burrus learned that his son had been caught in a storm near Doyle and was badly frozen and suffering from blood poisoning. It was necessary that the boy be removed to Reno for medical treatment. According to an effort to save his son's life Mr. Burrus paid the railroad company \$125 in advance for a special train to leave Reno at 6 o'clock the following morning to take him to Doyle and return with his son. The train was 20 minutes

late in starting. Mr. Burrus was told that it would be necessary for the train to go to Amedee, 29 miles distant, to get a supply of fuel oil necessary for the return trip. Mr. Burrus believed and relied on such statement. Later he learned that no fuel oil was taken on at Amedee. The train was gone two hours. Passengers for Reno were taken aboard at Amedee and the regular fare was collected from them. The train was further delayed at Doyle in attaching a car loaded with cattle. Altogether, the period of delay amounted to more than three hours.

In his opinion, Justice Talbot, of the Nevada supreme court stated that "Aside from any question of mental suffering, the plaintiff was entitled to the proper services of the special train for which he paid. It must be assumed that, aside from the false pretence that the train had to go to Amedee for fuel oil, the company was well aware that, when the father paid for a special train in an effort to save the life of his son, he was entitled to something more than an accommodation cattle train.—Carson News.

WINDING UP A DEFUNCT COMPANY

Judge Averill has overruled a demurrer to the complaint of John G. Kirchen versus Key Pittman et al involving rights of the White Caps Leasing company. Prefacing his ruling with a slight review of the suit the court sets forth that the White Caps Leasing company was a corporation that came to an end November 3, 1915, leaving numerous obligations unpaid and some machinery. The time allowed to close up its affairs has expired and the present suit was brought against the men who composed it as associates in business under the name of the "White Caps Leasing company."

The complaint is objected to as insufficient and ambiguous and it is contended that the court has no jurisdiction of the subject of the action or of the defendants. The court holds that it has jurisdiction of the subject matter in equity and of the defendants only as represent what is left of the corporation and holds that the best method of liquidation is through receivership. While the plaintiff brings suit against the property of a dead corporation it is presumed that there are others who have claims that should share in the assets of the defunct corporation and that a receiver is just as necessary as an administrator of the estate of a dead man.

IRISHMEN TELL OF IRELAND'S WOES

TAYPAY ARRIVES TO EXPLAIN
ISSUES OF THE NATIONAL
CAMPAIGN

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, June 25.—T. P. O'Connor, M. P., one of the leaders of the Irish Nationalist party, accompanied by Richard Hazleton, member of the house of commons from North Galway and secretary of the Irish party, arrived here yesterday on a British steamship. The object of the visit, according

to Mr. O'Connor, is to place before the men of his race and the friends of Ireland of all races in this country, the realities and the issues of the Irish situation. The stay here of the Nationalist representatives is indefinite, they said, and after a few days in New York they expect to go to Washington.

RECEIVERSHIP ENDED

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, June 25.—The receivership of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad terminated at midnight and the property returned to the control of the railway company in accordance with the decree signed by Federal Judge Landis last Tuesday.

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